

March 24, 2008

The Common Council met as the Water Utility Board at 7:00 p.m. on the above date in the Meeting Room at City Hall Annex with Mayor Tucker presiding and members Askren, Fuelling, Hoehn, Curtis, and Higgins attending. Others attending were Chief Waters; Chief Beloat; Asst. St. Comm. Miller; Andy Hoehn; Ann Blackburn; Sis Claxton; Geneva James; Cecil Waters; Jerry Walden; Bob Boerner; Dave and Judy Whitten; Larry Williams; Sara Manifold - Mount Vernon Democrat; and arriving during the meeting, Tom Hogan and Dick Honebrink - Johnson Controls, Inc.

Mayor Tucker called the meeting to order by stating members were either mailed or hand carried copies of the minutes of their previous meeting and by asking if there were any corrections or additions. He added if not, he entertains a motion to waive their reading and to approve the minutes as presented. Board member Curtis moved the reading of the minutes be waived and they be approved as presented. Seconded by Board member Hoehn. Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Tucker requested action on the claims presented. Board member Askren moved the claims presented be allowed for payment. Seconded by Board member Fuelling. Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

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Mayor Tucker stated they will now hear the report of the Water Chairman. Chairman Curtis stated he had hoped to have information tonight on the bonding for the filter project, but it is not yet available. He continued by stating he contacted JCI as well as Umbaugh on the information, and hopefully they will have something for them at the next meeting, if not before. He added they had also hoped to combine the intake project with the filter installation, but it appears they may have to take that in two steps instead of one. Chairman Curtis then stated Supt. Gray was not able to make the meeting this evening, but he believes everything at the plant is also running well. He concluded by stating there have been no major issues since their previous meeting. Mayor Tucker asked if there were any questions ? There were none. Tom Hogan and Dick Honebrink arrived at the meeting.

Mayor Tucker stated they have the Financial Report before them and any questions should be directed to Bookkeeper Bennett. Board member Curtis stated he is glad to see the financials looked better this past month than the previous month.

Mayor Tucker asked if the Clerk-Treasurer had any Communications for the Board ? Clerk-Treasurer Wolfe replied not at this time.

Mayor Tucker asked if anyone in the Audience wished to address the Board ?
There was no response.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any Old Business ?
There was none.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any New Business ?
There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated if there was no further business, he entertains a motion to adjourn.
Board member Fuelling moved the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Board member Hoehn,
Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the
vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously and adjourned the meeting.

John Tucker
Mayor

ATTEST:

Cristi L. Wolfe
Clerk-Treasurer

March 24, 2008

The Common Council met immediately following the Water Utility Board on the above date in the Meeting Room at City Hall Annex with Mayor Tucker presiding and members Askren, Fuelling, Hoehn, Curtis, and Higgins attending. Others attending were Chief Waters; Chief Beloit; Asst. St. Comm. Miller; Andy Hoehn; Ann Blackburn; Sis Claxton; Cecil Waters; Bob Boerner; Jerry Walden; Dave and Judy Whitten; Larry Williams; Tom Hogan and Dick Honebrink - Johnson Controls, Inc, and Sara Manifold - Mount Vernon Democrat.

Mayor Tucker called the meeting to order by stating members were either mailed or hand carried copies of the minutes of their previous meeting and by asking if there were any corrections or additions. He added if not, he entertains a motion to waive their reading and to approve the minutes as presented. Councilwoman Hoehn moved the reading of the minutes be waived and they be approved as presented. Seconded by Councilwoman Higgins.
Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Tucker stated they will now hear the reports of the Standing Committees.

Street and Light Chairwoman Askren stated she has no report.

Asst. St. Comm. Miller stated he has no report.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any questions ?

There were none.

Police & Dog Chairman Fuelling stated he has no report.

Chief Beloat stated he has no report.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any questions ?

There were none.

Fire Chairwoman Hoehn stated she has no report.

Chief Waters stated he has no report.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any questions ?

There were none.

Sewer Chairwoman Higgins stated she has no report.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any questions ?

There were none.

Mayor Tucker asked if the Clerk-Treasurer had any Communications for the Council ?

Clerk-Treasurer Wolfe replied not at this time.

Mayor Tucker stated the first item on the Legal portion of the Agenda is the third reading of an Ordinance to Amend the City of Mt. Vernon Code of Ordinances, Title 15 Land Usage, Chapter 153 - Zoning Code, Section 153.146 (C) - Use Conditions - Political Campaign Signs.

Councilwoman Hoehn stated the Council amended this ordinance at the last meeting, including size of the signs, not just the time frame to put the signs up and remove them. She then stated the Area Plan Commission is concerned that with the upcoming County election, there will not be enough time for them to address this ordinance, as it would have to come before them again, as amended by the City. She then moved the ordinance pass on final reading, as originally written, addressing only the 45 day time frame for erection of the signs, and 7 day removal of the signs after the election. Seconded by Councilman Curtis.

Mayor Tucker requested a roll call vote.

Roll was called by the Clerk-Treasurer with Council voting as follows:

Askren- yes; Fuelling - yes; Hoehn - yes;

Curtis - yes; Higgins - yes.

Mayor Tucker stated the motion carried unanimously.

Clerk-Treasurer Wolfe added it will be numbered 08-01.

Mayor Tucker stated the next item for consideration is the Public Hearing for an Ordinance Adopting Additional Appropriations in the EDC Fund of the City of Mt. Vernon, IN. He then opened the public hearing by asking if anyone in the Audience wished to address the Council concerning the additional appropriation ?

There was no response.

Mayor Tucker then closed the public hearing and requested action on the ordinance.

Councilwoman Askren moved the ordinance pass on second reading, Seconded by Councilman Fuelling.

Mayor Tucker requested a roll call vote.

Roll was called by the Clerk-Treasurer with Council voting as follows:

Askren - yes; Fuelling - yes; Hoehn - yes;

Curtis - yes; Higgins - yes.

Mayor Tucker stated the motion carried and requested further action.

Councilwoman Askren moved the rules be suspended and the ordinance pass on final reading. Seconded by Councilman Curtis.

Mayor Tucker requested a roll call vote.

Roll was called by the Clerk-Treasurer with Council voting as follows:

Askren - yes; Fuelling - yes; Hoehn - yes;

Curtis - yes; Higgins - yes.

Mayor Tucker stated the motion carried unanimously.

Clerk-Treasurer Wolfe added it will be numbered 08-02.

Mayor Tucker stated the next item is a Resolution to Transfer into the General and MVHF Funds.
Councilman Curtis moved the Resolution pass. Seconded by Councilwoman Higgins.
Mayor Tucker requested a roll call vote.

Roll was called by the Clerk-Treasurer with Council voting as follows:

Askren - yes; Fuelling - yes; Hoehn - yes;

Curtis - yes; Higgins - yes.

Mayor Tucker stated the motion carried unanimously.

Clerk-Treasurer Wolfe added it will be numbered 08-03.

Mayor Tucker stated the next item is address the truck traffic in Lawrence Addition, as they had discussed at the last meeting.
He added it will eliminate all truck traffic on all streets in that subdivision. He then read the title of the Ordinance as follows:
An Ordinance to Amend the City of Mt. Vernon Code of Ordinances, Title VII - Traffic Code, Chapter 74 - Traffic Schedules-
Schedule VII(C) - Truck and Weight Regulations.

Councilman Curtis moved the ordinance pass on first reading. Seconded by Councilman Fuelling.

Mayor Tucker requested a roll call vote.

Roll was called by the Clerk-Treasurer with Council voting as follows:

Askren - yes; Fuelling - yes; Hoehn - yes;

Curtis - yes; Higgins - yes.

Mayor Tucker stated the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Tucker stated the final item for consideration is an Ordinance Adopting Additional Appropriations in the EDC Fund of the City of Mt. Vernon, IN. He reminded the Council this appropriation had been discussed at their previous meeting concerning a bill submitted by Bose McKinney in 2008 for work done under the previous administration in 2007.

Councilman Curtis moved the ordinance pass on first reading. Seconded by Councilwoman Askren.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker requested a roll call vote.

Roll was called by the Clerk-Treasurer with Council voting as follows:

Askren - yes; Fuelling - yes; Hoehn - yes;

Curtis - yes; Higgins - yes.

Mayor Tucker stated the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Tucker asked if anyone in the Audience wished to address the Council ?

There was no response.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any Old Business ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was New Business ?

Councilman Fuelling stated he would like the Council to consider amending the amount of mileage paid by the city from \$.25 per mile.

Clerk-Treasurer Wolfe added that was amended a few years back to pay \$.34/mile.

Councilman Fuelling asked that they also then consider upping the amount paid on meals from \$25/day to \$35/day. He also asked that Clerk-Treasurer Wolfe get with him before then next meeting on some rough figures on what kind of an impact that may have on the budgets.

Mayor Tucker stated they will now hear the reports of the Districts.

1st District Councilwoman Askren stated she has no report.

2nd District Councilman Fuelling stated he has no report.

3rd District Councilwoman Hoehn stated she has no report.

4th District Councilman Curtis stated he has no report.

Councilwoman-at-Large Higgins stated she has no report.

Mayor Tucker stated if there was no further business, he entertains a motion to adjourn.

Councilman Fuelling moved the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Councilwoman Hoehn.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously and adjourned the meeting.

John Tucker
Mayor

ATTEST:

Cristi L. Wolfe
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